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1. Braunsteiner is a native of Vilna, Lithuania, and lived in Austria before the war. He spent the war years and the immediate post-war period in Moscow. He is reported to be the representative of the Soviet Communist Party in the Austrian CP.
2. Braunsteiner is assisted by two Russians, and source believes that these three have been sent to Austria to strengthen the Party and increase strike activity. The first strikes are expected to take place in Styria.

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